Resolution No.: 17-614

Introduced:

November 13, 2012

Adopted:

November 27, 2012

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #13-342 to the FY13 Operating Budget

Montgomery County Government

Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant, \$716,220

Background

- 1. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that any supplemental appropriation shall be recommended by the County Executive who shall specify the source of funds to finance it. The Council shall hold a public hearing on each proposed supplemental appropriation after at least one week's notice. A supplemental appropriation that would comply with, avail the County of, or put into effect a grant or a Federal, State or County law or regulation, or one that is approved after January 1 of any fiscal year, requires an affirmative vote of five Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers. The Council may, in a single action, approve more than one supplemental appropriation. The Executive may disapprove or reduce a supplemental appropriation, and the Council may reapprove the appropriation, as if it were an item in the annual budget.
- 2. The County Executive has requested the following FY13 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service (MCFRS):

| Personnel | Operating | | Source |
|-----------|-----------|--------------|---------------|
| Services | Expenses | <u>Total</u> | of Funds |
| \$716,220 | \$0 | \$716,220 | Federal Grant |

3. This increase is needed because the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has awarded the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service a SAFER grant in the amount of \$3,255,098. This grant fully funds the salaries and benefits for 23 firefighter positions for two years. This grant will allow MCFRS to provide truck and ambulance service. These services will reduce response times and enhance the safety of our citizens and fire and rescue personnel.

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4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY13 Operating Budget in the amount of \$716,220 for the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service and specifies that the source of funding will be Federal Grant.

5. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A supplemental appropriation to the FY13 Operating Budget for the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service is approved as follows:

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|-----------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
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MCFRS may use \$503,585 of appropriated EMS Reimbursement revenue to train and equip firefighter positions, consistent with the "Service Restoration: ladder truck" language in Paragraph 41 of Resolution 17-443.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council